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HOUSE RESOLUTION 2005

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF MARC ALAN LEE.

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1 Marc Alan Lee was the first Navy SEAL killed in Iraq when he heroically
2 sacrificed his life in the line of duty on August 2, 2006.

3 Born in Portland, Oregon on March 20, 1978, Marc Lee was an outstanding
4 and dedicated soccer player and dreamed from an early age of pursuing a
5 career in professional soccer. When a knee injury ended those dreams, he
6 turned his perseverance and determination to a career with the Navy SEALs.
7 Marc joined the Navy in 2001, and following a series of setbacks and medical
8 illnesses, he went on to excel in his training and graduated second in his
9 class.

10 In April 2006, Marc was deployed with ST-3 to Ramadi, among the most
11 volatile and hostile combat areas in Iraq. During a tense combat situation,
12 he twice put himself in the direct line of fire to draw attention to himself
13 so that his fellow SEALs could help an injured soldier receive vital medical
14 attention. On the same day, following this emotionally and physically
15 draining experience, Marc willingly returned to Ramadi to hunt the insurgents
16 who had attacked them. As he led a band of fellow soldiers into a house,
17 they came under enemy fire and Marc again turned into the fire to defend his
18 peers and was tragically killed.

19 In recognition of his tremendous sacrifice and heroism that day, Marc
20 Lee was awarded the Silver Star and Purple Heart. He also received the Bronze
21 Star with Valor for his earlier heroic actions when he exposed himself to
22 direct enemy fire to provide cover for his teammates. In recognition of his
23 courage and selflessness, his base in Iraq has been named Camp Marc Lee in
24 his honor. Marc Lee will long be remembered by all who had the privilege of
25 knowing him for his remarkable sense of humor, determination, bravery and
26 faith.

27 Marc Lee will also be recognized by the Enduring Freedom Memorial,
28 which is sponsored by Veteran's First. The Memorial was created in honor of
29 our Arizona service men and women who paid the ultimate price and who were
30 injured while protecting our nation. The Memorial will be displayed in the
31 Wesley Bolin Plaza at the Arizona State Capitol and will be dedicated the
32 spring of 2010.

33 It is important and fitting that we commemorate the contributions of
34 Americans who bravely serve this nation and the profound sacrifice of those
35 citizens who offer their lives in our service. Marc Alan Lee will long be
36 remembered as a national hero for his incredible sacrifice to this nation and
37 for his efforts to promote democracy and freedom for all people.
38 Therefore

39 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

40 That the Members of the House of Representatives express regret at the
41 untimely passing of Marc Alan Lee and express their deepest sympathies to his
42 surviving family members.

~~UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE MARCH 18, 2010.~~

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